Introduced by Senator Poochigian

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An act to amend Section 667.61 of the Penal Code, relating to sentencing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1565, as introduced, Poochigian. Sentencing.

Existing law provides for sentence enhancements for persons convicted of certain offenses under specified circumstances.

This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to those provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- SECTION 1. Section 667.61 of the Penal Code is amended to read:
- 2 read: 3 667.61. (a) A Any person who is convicted of an offense
- specified in subdivision (c) under one or more of the
- 5 circumstances specified in subdivision (d) or under two or more
- 6 of the circumstances specified in subdivision (e) shall be
- 7 punished by imprisonment in the state prison for life and shall
- 8 not be eligible for release on parole for 25 years except as 9 provided in subdivision (j).
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- 10 (b) Except as provided in subdivision (a), a person who is convicted of an offense specified in subdivision (c) under one of
- 12 the circumstances specified in subdivision (e) shall be punished
- 13 by imprisonment in the state prison for life and shall not be

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1 eligible for release on parole for 15 years except as provided in 2 subdivision (j).

- (c) This section shall apply to any of the following offenses:
- 4 (1) A violation of paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 5 261.
- 6 (2) A violation of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 7 262.
- 8 (3) A violation of Section 264.1.
 - (4) A violation of subdivision (b) of Section 288.
 - (5) A violation of subdivision (a) of Section 289.
 - (6) Sodomy or oral copulation in violation of Section 286 or 288a by force, violence, duress, menace, or fear of immediate and unlawful bodily injury on the victim or another person.
 - (7) A violation of subdivision (a) of Section 288, unless the defendant qualifies for probation under subdivision (c) of Section 1203.066.
 - (d) The following circumstances shall apply to the offenses specified in subdivision (c):
 - (1) The defendant has been previously convicted of an offense specified in subdivision (c), including an offense committed in another jurisdiction that includes all of the elements of an offense specified in subdivision (c).
 - (2) The defendant kidnapped the victim of the present offense and the movement of the victim substantially increased the risk of harm to the victim over and above that level of risk necessarily inherent in the underlying offense in subdivision (c).
 - (3) The defendant inflicted aggravated mayhem or torture on the victim or another person in the commission of the present offense in violation of Section 205 or 206.
 - (4) The defendant committed the present offense during the commission of a burglary, as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 460, with intent to commit an offense specified in subdivision (c).
 - (e) The following circumstances shall apply to the offenses specified in subdivision (c):
 - (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of subdivision (d), the defendant kidnapped the victim of the present offense in violation of Section 207, 209, or 209.5.
 - (2) Except as provided in paragraph (4) of subdivision (d), the defendant committed the present offense during the commission

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of a burglary, as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 460, or during the commission of a burglary of a building, including any commercial establishment, which was then closed to the public, in violation of Section 459.

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- (3) The defendant personally inflicted great bodily injury on the victim or another person in the commission of the present offense in violation of Section 12022.53, 12022.7, or 12022.8.
- (4) The defendant personally used a dangerous or deadly weapon or firearm in the commission of the present offense in violation of Section 12022, 12022.3, 12022.5, or 12022.53.
- (5) The defendant has been convicted in the present case or cases of committing an offense specified in subdivision (c) against more than one victim.
- (6) The defendant engaged in the tying or binding of the victim or another person in the commission of the present offense.
- (7) The defendant administered a controlled substance to the victim by force, violence, or fear in the commission of the present offense in violation of Section 12022.75.
- (f) If only the minimum number of circumstances specified in subdivision (d) or (e) which are required for the punishment provided in subdivision (a) or (b) to apply have been pled and proved, that circumstance or those circumstances shall be used as the basis for imposing the term provided in subdivision (a) or (b) rather than being used to impose the punishment authorized under any other law, unless another law provides for a greater However, if any additional circumstance circumstances specified in subdivision (d) or (e) have been pled and proved, the minimum number of circumstances shall be used as the basis for imposing the term provided in subdivision (a), and any other additional circumstance or circumstances shall be used to impose any punishment or enhancement authorized under any other law. Notwithstanding any other law, the court shall not strike any of the circumstances specified in subdivision (d) or (e).
- (g) The term specified in subdivision (a) or (b) shall be imposed on the defendant once for any offense or offenses committed against a single victim during a single occasion. If there are multiple victims during a single occasion, the term specified in subdivision (a) or (b) shall be imposed on the defendant once for each separate victim. Terms for other offenses

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committed during a single occasion shall be imposed as authorized under any other law, including Section 667.6, if applicable.

- (h) Probation shall not be granted to, nor shall the execution or imposition of sentence be suspended for, any person who is subject to punishment under this section for any offense specified in paragraphs (1) to (6), inclusive, of subdivision (c).
- (i) For the penalties provided in this section to apply, the existence of any fact required under subdivision (d) or (e) shall be alleged in the accusatory pleading and either admitted by the defendant in open court or found to be true by the trier of fact.
- (j) Article 2.5 (commencing with Section 2930) of Chapter 7 of Title 1 of Part 3 shall apply to reduce the minimum term of 25 years in the state prison imposed pursuant to subdivision (a) or 15 years in the state prison imposed pursuant to subdivision (b). However, in no case shall the minimum term of 25 or 15 years be reduced by more than 15 percent for credits granted pursuant to Section 2933, 4019, or any other law providing for conduct credit reduction. In no case shall any person who is punished under this section be released on parole prior to serving at least 85 percent of the minimum term of 25 or 15 years in the state prison.